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Per my voicemail, enclosed is a copy of our response that we filed last week that I would like to discuss in the interview on September 7, 2005 at 2:00P.M. Please e-mail location of the interview to pdmcpherson@duanemorns.com

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Title: COST REACTIVE RESOURCE SCHEDULER AND METHOD

REMARKS

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 25, 2005, the applicant provides the following remarks:

The Section 101 rejections are not understood. In the examiner's previous Office Action, the basis of the Section 101 rejections was that the steps "could be performed using pencil and paper." (Office Action dated 10/4/04, page 3.) Following an interview with the examiner and his supervisor, the applicant amended the independent. (Although applicant amended the claims, the stated basis for the examiner's rejection is directly

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